

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON
Monday, January 26, 2004**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Reagle at 8:00p.m., in the Village Board Room, 200 South Hough Street, Barrington, Illinois. Daniel Palmer of Boy Scout Troop 10 led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll being called the following answered present: Trustees Karen Darch, Jack Schaefer, Beth Raseman, Jeanne Yeagley, Paul Hunt, Jim Daluga; President Marshall Reagle. Also present were: Village Clerk Ron Koppelman, Director of Administrative Services Denise Pieroni, and Village Attorney Ed Springer.

READING OF AGENDA

President Reagle read the Agenda.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR – CITIZEN'S REGISTRATION/COMMENTS

Steve Kasper of 246 W Lake St. expressed concern with the subdividing of a lot near his home and the proposed construction of a four car garage. He stated that he did not feel that a four car garage within the Historic District was appropriate and suggested that the Zoning Ordinance be amended so the prevent this from occurring in the future.

David Nelson of 210 E. Liberty St. thanked the Board for their contributions and continued support for Our Town Barrington Volunteers (OTBV). Mr. Nelson added that OTBV would be developing a website, and listed a number of other initiatives that OTBV is undertaking to promote Barrington. Mr. Nelson concluded by asking the Board to continue funding OTBV.

Joe Connelly of 263 Timber Rd of Lake Barrington Shores stated that he was representing the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce and then introduced other members of the Chamber present for the meeting. Mr. Connelly went on to read a position statement in support of the extension of the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes at their current rate through December 31, 2009. It was noted in the position statement that the Chamber did not, however, support the proposed elimination of the sunset provision in the Ordinance relating to the Telecommunications Tax.

Jim Perille of 214 N Lake Shore Dr. commented that he is in favor of eliminating the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes and thanked Director of Administrative Services Denise Pieroni for her assistance in providing information about the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes. Mr. Perille went on to say that the TIF district is not benefiting the Village and asked the Board to provide the public with an accounting of the funds raised by the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes and details for how those funds were spent.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reagle read a Proclamation declaring January 25th – 30th Catholic Schools Week.

President Reagle thanked the Public Works and Public Safety employees for their work clearing snow and assisting Village residents during the recent storms. President Reagle asked residents to consider the service these employees provide the Village on occasions when they might call to complain about a ticket or other issue.

STAFF'S REPORT

Director of Administrative Services Denise Pieroni reminded Board member of the February 2, 2004 Committee of the Whole meeting. She then asked Police Chief Jeff Lawler to address the Board on staffing.

Chief Lawler commented that due to a number of issues including on and off the job injuries the Department was short sworn officers. He noted that this has required the redeployment of a number of staff to ensure adequate coverage on each of the patrol shifts. He then commented on one of the items included on the Consent Agenda which, if approved, should help address this situation.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Trustee Darch reported that the Committee reviewed the hiring of full-time employee who would serve part-time as a Police Officer and part-time as a Record/Police Assistant and was recommending passing on the related motion. She then commented on other vacant positions in the Village. Trustee Darch reported that the Committee had again discussed the various Telecommunications and Utility taxes which are used to fund the Village's infrastructure program and was recommending the approval of the two ordinances relating to the Utility Taxes and the postponement of the consideration of the Ordinance relating to the Telecommunication Tax until June, noting that this would give the Board an opportunity to finalize details on parking improvements, funding of which was to be supported by this tax. She also noted that a portion of this tax (1%) replaces the former Infrastructure Maintenance fee (IMF) which was never subject to the sunset provision. She further commented that it was only after the taxes (the Telecommunication Tax and the IMF) were combined that the entire 3.50% tax became subject to the sunset provision. Trustee Darch commented on the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) 2004 contribution rate, noting that this rate has increased significantly the last two years as a result of the Village's loss experience.

Trustee Raseman commented on the Joint Economic Revitalization Partnership (JERP) recent meeting with Commercial Brokers and the Partnership's continued efforts to create a positive climate for business.

Trustee Darch concluded by thanking the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce for their input on the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes.

PLANNING & ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Trustee Yeagley reported that the Committee heard presentations on both proposed commercial and residential developments and had recommended that the projects proceed to the Plan Commission. She then encouraged Village residents, especially those residing in areas adjacent to these projects, to attend the meetings of the Plan Commission and Architectural Review Commission. Trustee Yeagley noted that the Committee had also reviewed and reached agreement on the criteria for TIF incentive (grant) programs which were being developed to encourage improvements to both the exterior façades and interior systems of buildings in the downtown. Trustee Yeagley noted that these programs will now be presented to the Board for consideration. Trustee Yeagley concluded by stating that the staff provided an update on the Cook St. Plaza project and suggested that groundbreaking for the project could occur in March.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Trustee Hunt reported that the Committee had not met but would be requesting an update relative to the status of ongoing traffic studies.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Trustee Schaefer reported that the Committee's next meeting will be in February.

CONSENT AGENDA Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-40, a single roll call vote of the Village Board of Trustees and the President on a group of ordinances, resolutions, orders, and/or motions.

President Reagle requested that Item 5i be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Daluga and seconded by Trustee Schaefer to adopt and create a Consent Agenda, consisting of Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f, 5g, 5h, and 5j.

For the benefit of the public, President Reagle read the following items to be included on the Consent Agenda.

- 5a. RESOLUTION #04-2937:** Appointing an Authorized Agent for the Village of Barrington in Matters Pertaining to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund
- 5b. RESOLUTION #04-2938:** Authorizing a Representative to the Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Program
- 5c. RESOLUTION #04-2939:** Appointing an Alternate Delegate to the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency
- 5d. RESOLUTION #04-2940:** Appointing a Director and Alternate Director to the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County
- 5e. MOTION:** To extend consideration of PC 02-05: Wamberg Family Limited Partnership – 700 West Main Street (Annexation/ Disconnection, Rezoning, Special Use/ Planned Development, Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement) to February 29, 2004
- 5f. RESOLUTION #04-2941:** Authorizing a Waiver of Competitive Bids and Approving and Awarding a Contract to Valerie M. Bruns to Provide Turf Maintenance Services for the Village
- 5g. RESOLUTION #04-2942:** Authorizing a Waiver of Competitive Bids and Approving and Awarding a Contract to Spring Green Lawn Care to Weed and Fertilization Services
- 5h. RESOLUTION #04-2943:** Authorizing a Waiver of Competitive Bids and Approving and Awarding a Contract to Best Quality Cleaning to Provide Janitorial Services for the Public Safety Facility
- 5j. MOTION:** Authorizing and Approving the Hiring of a Full-Time Employee to Serve as a Part-Time Police Officer and Part-Time Records Assistant with the stipulation that the total number of hours assigned to that individual as Part-Time Officer shall not exceed 1560 hours in any calendar year

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye; President Reagle, aye. President Reagle declared the motion to adopt and create the Consent Agenda passed unanimously.

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Raseman to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f, 5g, 5h, and 5j.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye; President Reagle, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PRESENTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

- 5i. RESOLUTION #04-2944:** Authorizing Monetary Contributions to Organizations Providing Services to Residents of the Barrington Community

At the request of President Reagle, Director of Administrative Services Denise Pieroni listed the Organizations receiving funding and the respective amounts to be received.

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Daluga and seconded by Trustee Darch to pass, as presented, Resolution #04-2944.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6a. ORDINANCE #04-3119: Amending Section 22-82 of Article V of Chapter 22 of the Barrington Village Code (Amending the Termination Date of the Municipal Electric Utility Tax)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Schaefer to pass, as presented, Ordinance #04-3119

Director of Administrative Services Denise Pieroni presented an overview of the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes which included the history and restricted use of and specific projects funded with these taxes. Trustee Yeagley asked about alternate revenue bonds and how they would be used. Ms. Pieroni commented that those bonds could be used to back the construction of a parking garage. Trustee Yeagley asked if the parking garage would be located in the TIF District and if the parking would be supporting a business development project. Trustee Hunt asked Ms. Pieroni to confirm that the use of the bond is not assured at this time. Trustee Hunt went on to ask for clarification on what percentages were used to support development within the business district. Trustee Schaefer commented that committing these revenues to a bond issue increases the rating of the bond and thus lowers the interest rate paid on the bond.

Trustee Yeagley read from a prepared statement detailing reasons why she is opposed to extending the Telecommunications and Utility Taxes. Trustee Yeagley stated that she believes that there is no connection between the use of Telecommunications and Utilities and the use of streets and sidewalks. Trustee Yeagley went on to comment that taxes are out of control and that she is tired of paying taxes that are arbitrarily set by government.

Trustee Hunt commented that the presentation provided a better understanding of what taxes have been collected and how the funds have been used. Trustee Hunt thanked the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce for their position statement and thanked Mr. Perille for his vigilance over Village business. Trustee Hunt concluded by stating his support for the tax measures and complimented Staff on not increasing the tax rate as other communities have in the surrounding areas.

Trustee Daluga commented that he believes the tax funds have not been used capriciously and that the tax funds are used to support both the businesses in the Village as well as the needs of residents to have a downtown that benefits residents.

Trustee Raseman commented that the 20 year program has resulted in streets and sidewalks that are in better conditions than in surrounding communities. Trustee Raseman challenged the Board and Staff to continue pursuing federal and state funds that would help offset the cost of Village improvements.

Trustee Darch commented that the work on streets and sidewalks is throughout the Village. Trustee Darch commented that this tax offsets declines in sales tax revenue and that dropping the tax would be irresponsible in light of the current economic climate. Trustee Darch added that other communities are using the Telecommunications and Utility Tax to fund their operating budgets which Barrington is not doing.

Trustee Schaefer commented that Trustee Yeagley's lack of support for the measure would be a terrific mistake as delays in capital improvements could end up costing the Village more if the projects were delayed.

Trustee Yeagley commented that she believes that funds for the capital improvements budgets that could have gone to streets and sidewalks have gone to other projects such as the purchase of property and legal fees.

Ms. Pieroni commented that loans have been made to the TIF Fund to support projects like streetscape.

President Reagle commented that the status quo of tax and spending of government is not consistent with expense reductions seen in the business community.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, nay; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

6b. ORDINANCE #04-3120: Amending Section 22-55 and Section 22-56 of Article IV of Chapter 22 of the Barrington Village Code (Amending the Termination Date of the Municipal Utility Tax)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Hunt to pass, as presented, Ordinance #04-3120

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, nay; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

6c. ORDINANCE #04- : Amending Article III of Chapter 22 of the Barrington Village Code (Repealing a Municipal Telecommunications Tax and Imposing a Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax) and Amending Article II, Chapter 23A of the Barrington Village Code (Repealing a Municipal Telecommunications Infrastructure Maintenance Fee)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Hunt to postpone consideration of the Ordinance listed on the Agenda as Item 6c to the first regular meeting in June 2004.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, nay; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

7a. ORDINANCE #04-3121: Fourth Amendment to the Annual Budget of the Village of Barrington, Illinois Fiscal Year 2004

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Yeagley to pass, as presented, Ordinance #04-3121.

Trustee Yeagley asked about a \$10,000 item for signage and furnishings for Village Hall as well as the acceleration of the automated meter reading program. Ms. Pieroni commented that the acceleration of this program would help offset the need to add staff to address State mandated programs such as mandatory participation in the JULIE program. Trustee Yeagley asked whether the proposed improvements to the Waste Water Treatment plant would help address odor issues at the Field of Dreams. Staff noted that these improvements would not result odor mitigation. Trustee Yeagley commented that the supporting evidence for the Amendment was done well and helped her support the measure.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

7b. RESOLUTION #04-2945: Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Village Center Business Incentive Loan Interest Subsidy Program Agreement By and Between the Village of Barrington and Participating Banks

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Daluga and seconded by Trustee Schaefer to pass, as presented, Resolution #04-2945.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, recused; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

WARRANTS LIST- 1/26/04 - \$ 142,636.15 (GENERAL)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Yeagley and seconded by Trustee Hunt to approve the payment of the bills included on the voucher listing for the period ending 1/26/04 - \$ 142,636.15 (General).

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

WARRANTS LIST- 1/26/04 - \$ 632.50 (SEYFARTH SHAW)

Trustee Darch noted for the record that, due to a conflict of interest, she was recusing herself from deliberation on this matter in any way.

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Yeagley and seconded by Trustee Hunt to approve the payment of the bills included on the voucher listing for the period ending 1/26/04 - \$ 632.50 (Seyfarth Shaw).

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, recused; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

WARRANTS LIST- 1/26/04 - \$ 26,045.07 (COMED)

Trustee Hunt noted for the record that, due to a conflict of interest, he was recusing himself from deliberation on this matter in any way.

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Yeagley and seconded by Trustee Daluga to approve the payment of the bills included on the voucher listing for the period ending 01/26/04 - \$ 26,045.07 (ComEd).

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, recused; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

WARRANTS LIST- 1/26/04 - \$ 97,867.96 (INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL BENEFIT COOPERATIVE)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Yeagley to approve the payment of the bills included on the voucher listing for the period ending 1/26/04 - \$ 97,867.96 (Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative).

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, aye; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

WARRANTS LIST- 1/26/04 - \$ 647,596.74 (GENERAL)

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Darch and seconded by Trustee Raseman to approve the payment of the bills included on the voucher listing for the period ending 1/26/04 - \$ 647,596.74 (General).

ROLL CALL: Trustee Darch, aye; Trustee Schaefer, aye; Trustee Raseman, aye; Trustee Yeagley, abstain; Trustee Hunt, aye; Trustee Daluga, aye. President Reagle declared the motion passed.

COMMENTS – “ROUND THE TABLE”

Trustee Darch wished Debbie DeJaynes the best of luck in her new position. Trustee Darch commented on the issues raised by Chief Lawler regarding staffing and reminded residents that the programs that have been affected by staffing levels are important and will be resumed as soon as possible. Trustee Darch congratulated the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce on their 35th anniversary and thanked them for their continued cooperation.

Trustee Schaefer commented that while there are philosophical differences on the Board tax dollars are used effectively in the Village and that the Staff works hard to save money where available. Trustee Schaefer commented that taxes like the vehicle sticker tax has been repealed, there is no sales tax in the Village, and does not want to be accused of being a tax and spend government when the Board has worked with Staff to maintain or reduce taxes from a comprehensive perspective.

Trustee Raseman stated that she believes that the Village is not reckless with tax dollars and suggested that President Reagle might be in a better position to appreciate how the various Committees struggle with issues relative to conservative use of the Village's tax dollars if he were to attend some of the Committee meetings.

Trustee Yeagley commented that the property in the Golden Triangle has been cleaned up and thanked the property owner for that effort. Trustee Yeagley commented on the low turnout at a recent committee meeting at which the Historic District was discussed. Trustee Yeagley stated that she supports the Historic District but wonders if there is a majority of residents in the

District who support the regulations that are in the Ordinance and suggested that a vote be taken of the residents in the District to measure the actual support of the Ordinance.

Trustee Hunt commented on the proposal received by the Village relating to the possible establishment of a Youth Commission in the Village.

Trustee Daluga thanked Trustees Schaefer and Raseman for their comments and stated that the Board and Staff have nothing to apologize for relative to the use of tax dollars.

President Reagle commented that the Park District has hired a firm to design the development of the Jewel Tea Property. President Reagle thanked Mr. Wallace for his efforts to work with developers who are interested in projects in the Village.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was duly made by Trustee Hunt and seconded by Trustee Darch to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees.

A voice vote was then called following which President Reagle declared the motion to adjourn had been unanimously adopted and the meeting was adjourned. The time was 10:15 p.m., Monday, January 26, 2004.

Ron Koppelman, Village Clerk